

## ABSTRACT

The invention relates to a preprocessor (2) for a predetermined document type definition (DTD), comprising at least one predetermined interface for interchanging information with interfaces of application units (1, 6); and comprising a conversion means for converting application information from an application unit (1, 6) into calls to a markup language processor (3), with the calls satisfying the DTD, and for converting markup language information from the markup language processor (3) into return information for transmission to an application unit (1, 6), with the return information being interpretable by the application unit (1, 6). The invention is likewise based on an overall system having the preprocessor (2), and on a method for processing a markup language file (5).

Figure 1